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Mr. Robert Kintner
President, National Broadcasting Company
30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York 20, New York

Dear Mr. Kinter:

The President's Commission considers the television tapes and films taken during the period of the assassination of President Kennedy in Dallas, November 22-24, 1963, to be an important part of the source material pertaining to that event. It is our understanding that the reels of tape and film taken by your Dallas/Fort Worth affiliate, WBAP-TV, have been forwarded to NBC in New York.

Examination of your Dallas footage, including all scenes at the police department building and at the county jail, by members of the Commission staff may provide us with new information when correlated with other results of the Commission's inquiry. It would be most helpful to the work of the Commission if you could make these tapes and films, together with an inventory if one exists, available to us for a limited period of time. The ABC and CBS affiliates in Dallas, WFAA-TV and KRLD-TV, have already made their materials available to the Commission. We wish to assure you that every protection will be afforded these tapes and films. We have made arrangements with the Department of Defense to handle the storage and showing of the reels, and the utmost care will be taken in transporting them.

Since time is of great concern to us, your prompt consideration and approval of this request will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

cc: Mr. Rankins' Chron File
Mr. Goldberg
Mail Room Files

SIGNED

J. Lee Rankin
General Counsel